BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

JULY 6, 1995

IN RE: South Carolina Electric & Gas Company -) ORDER
Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)) GRANTING
) REQUEST

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G or the Company) for approval of the elimination of the Great Appliance Trade Up Program, Great Appliance Trade Up Financing Program, and the Great Appliance Trade Up Piggyback Program (GATU Programs), and for the implementation of the High Efficiency Heat Pump Program (HEHPP). The GATU Programs are a part of SCE&G's Demand Side Management portfolio.

The Commission's Executive Director instructed SCE&G to publish, one time, a prepared Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the affected areas. Pursuant to the Commission's previously established procedures, all parties to SCE&G's original Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) Docket were served with copies of the proposal.

No Petitions to Intervene or Protests were received pursuant to the newspaper publication, and no Responses to the served

proposal were received. We believe that no hearing is required, pursuant to S. C. CODE ANN. §58-27-870 (Supp. 1994).

According to a recent analysis, SCE&G states that its GATU Programs are no longer cost effective and should be eliminated. SCE&G has therefore proposed a new program, the High Efficiency Heat Pump Program which offers dealers an incentive for the sale of any heat pump with a rating of 12 SEER or more. The Company proposes to offer the customer up to \$10,000 in financing for the purchase and installation of a heat pump with at least a 12 SEER rating or specified experimental electric technologies. The Company also proposes to finance up to \$1,500 for improvements to the duct system during installation and proposes to pay a one-time cash incentive of up to \$500 per unit for the experimental technologies. According to SCE&G, the proposed elimination of the GATU Programs and the proposal to implement the HEHPP will not affect any customers except those who choose to participate.

The Commission has examined the entire record in this case, including the materials submitted by SCE&G, which purport to justify the elimination of the GATU programs, and for the implementation of the HEHPP. After some consideration, the Commission concludes that the requested changes are consistent with the Commission's prior Orders in SCE&G's Integrated Resource Planning Docket, and that the request of the Company should therefore be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The GATU Programs may be eliminated.

- 2. The High Efficiency Heat Pump Program as described by SCE&G may be implemented as described in the Company filings.
- 3. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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ATTEST:

Executive Director

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